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Dear Dr. Taubeneck:

I have just returned corrected proof of your note to the Journal of Bacteriology, as we had arranged earlier. My remarks on the enclosed copy (which I just thought you should like to see) are answers to some queries on minor points.

The paper seems to be scheduled for the April 1959 issue.

You will have to act yourself according to the instructions with respect to reprints and the abstract requested. I suggest you respond as soon as possible if you want reprints.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Joshua Lederberg

Have you seen the January 1957 issue of "MIKROBIOLOGIA", the Russian journal of microbiology, which is now also translated and published in English by the American Institute of Biological Sciences? In this issue, 26 (1): 109-117 is a paper by D R Gabe (Laboratory of Hydrogeologic problems, Academy of Sciences, Leningrad) giving another approach to the observation of isolated bacteria. The core of his technique is the production of capillary ~~tubes~~ with rectangular or square cross-section! His report is most interesting, but also fails to give adequate details on the method of ~~producing~~ producing these capillaries. I have tried to write directly to Dr. Gabe, but failed to get any reply (since months ago) perhaps for lack of an adequate address. I am sure you would be interested in this also, and I would be grateful for whatever information you might more readily be able to secure (as some of the published sources may not be so readily obtainable here).

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